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<b>Serial No.:</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>Examiner:</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>Filed:</b>	<b>June 24, 2003 (herewith)</b>		
<b>Based On:</b>			
	<b>Serial No.:</b>	<b>09/908,404</b>	
	<b>Filed:</b>	<b>July 18, 2001</b>	
<b>Title:</b>	<b>SYSTEM FOR ROTATIONAL MOLDING OF MEDICAL ARTICLES</b> <b>(was ROTATIONAL MOLDING OF MEDICAL ARTICLES)</b>		

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A**

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
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**Dear Sir or Madam:**

Please amend the above-identified patent application, prior to the first Examiner's Action, as described below. The specification is amended and claims 6-20 and 23-38 are cancelled.

### A. AMENDMENT

### **1. In the Specification**

Please change the title to read “SYSTEM FOR ROTATIONAL MOLDING OF MEDICAL ARTICLES” rather than “ROTATIONAL MOLDING OF MEDICAL ARTICLES”.

Please add , prior to the first paragraph of the specification, the following new paragraph:

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This application is a division of application Ser. No. 09/908,404, filed July 18, 2001.



## **2. In the Claims**

**Please cancel claims 6-20 and 23-38.**

### **B. REMARKS**

## **1. Status of Application**

The parent application, Ser. No. 09/908,404, included claims 1-38 and was filed July 18, 2001. The claims of the parent application were subject to a restriction requirement, and only

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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 33915-03410  
First Inventor Schussler, David  
Title System for Rotational Molding of Medical Articles  
Express Mail Label No. EV252566423US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 20]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 3]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages ]
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement of Attorney (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09, 908,404  
Prior application information: Examiner: Staicovici, Stephan Group Art Unit: 1732

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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